

## COBLE &amp; CLAGETT.

In January 1897, Coble & Clagett began the clothing, shoe and gents' furnishing goods business in Union City on First, the principal business street of the town, and they



A. A. COBLE.

have met with success from the start, which is always accorded the business man of push and enterprise, who keeps abreast of the times and puts his money as well as his brains into his business. Though but two and a half years old, the business of Coble & Clagett causes their competitors to think them almost Methuselahs in their line. Back of their enterprise and progress they have the ducats to pay cash for what they buy, and paying cash enables them to offer you extraordinary bargains in their line. Should you need anything in the clothing, boot, shoe and gents'



W. G. CLAGETT.

furnishing goods line, it will be to your interest to call on Coble & Clagett, who carry the best at the lowest prices, and whose clerks thoroughly understand their business, and who will treat you as courteously without a sale as though you had purchased half their stock.

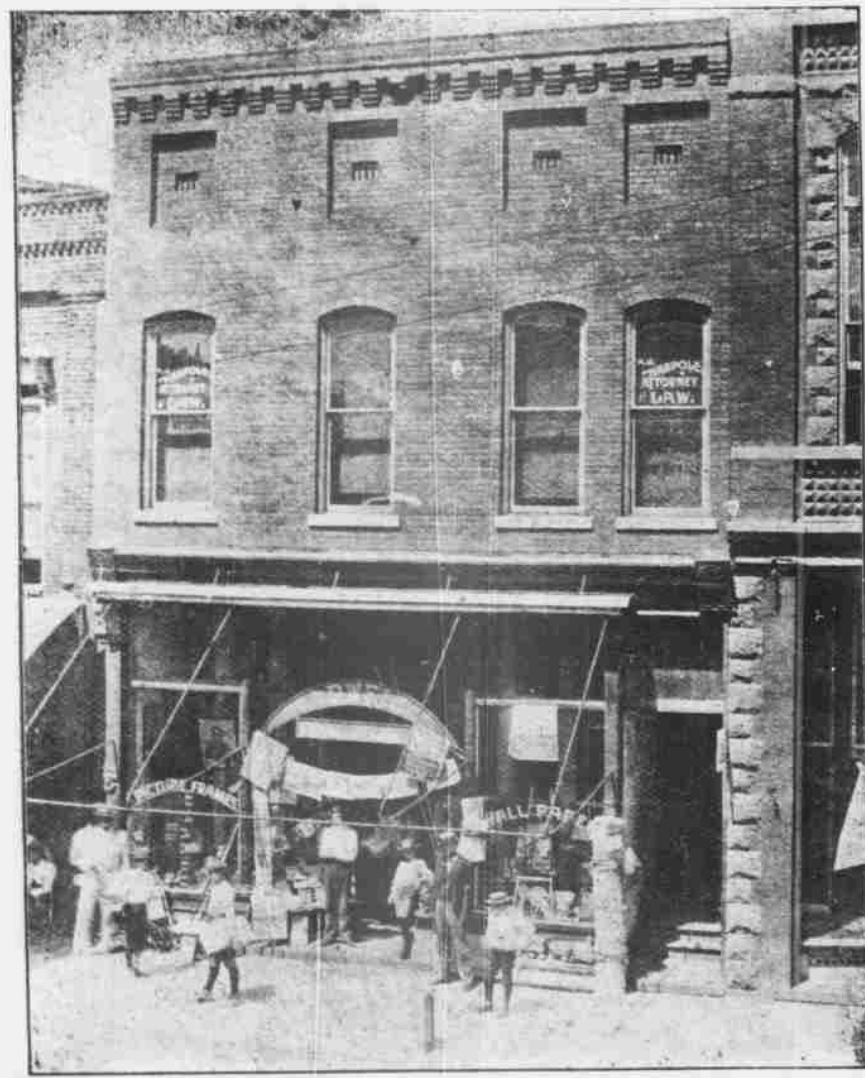
Their salesmen and employees are John T. Hubbs, Robert H. Harper, Harry Morton, William Walker, Christopher Kelly, J. A. Coble and W. G. Clagett.

The Biggest Kitchen in the World.

Probably the largest kitchen in the world is to be found in the Bon Marche, in Paris. In it sixty cooks are employed and 100 kitchen boys. It provides food for the 4,000 employees of the house. There are fifty frying-pans, each of which can hold 300 cutlets at a time; a coffee machine which grinds 750 quarts daily, and the smallest kettle holds seventy-five quarts. For this enormous household 8,000 eggs have to be used to provide omelettes for breakfast alone.

Nearly 175 Congregational Churches have adopted the individual communion cup.

Mrs. Julietta Lee, Kentucky's oldest woman, has just celebrated her ninety-ninth birthday anniversary at Elkton, Ky. Five of her eight children are now living, and all are over 50 years of age.



D. P. CALDWELL'S BOOK STORE.

A German periodical declares that the rubber industry in Mexico, Central America and the African coasts is in danger of extinction, but, on the other hand, that the Brazilian is inexhaustible.

In the first half of 1898, Japan sent 2,000 gold to England. In 1899, it has sent only

## F. E. ARNN.

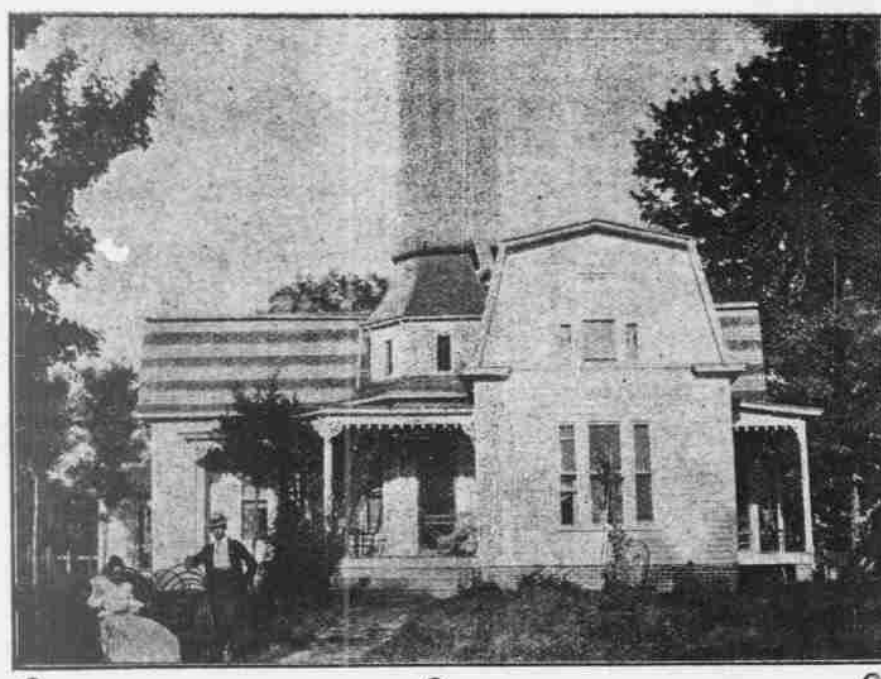
The weather of the past few weeks would not suggest to any one the advisability of employing artificial means to keep warm, but the next 60 days will change the current of events in the way of weather and instead of fans, ice, coal and wood will be in demand. Mr. Arnn is one of Union City's principal wood dealers from whom you can secure at the lowest figures any size or kinds of wood for either cooking or heating purposes. Mr. Arnn also is the leading transfer or moving man of the city. He has a large furniture van and will move your goods to or from the depot or from one part of the city to another as carefully and as cheaply as any one. He has several teams and is prepared to do contract hauling, and should you wish anywhere from one to a hundred loads hauled, it matters not what, it will pay you to see him and have him give you an estimate on the cost of the work you contemplate having done.

Live and Let Live.

Mrs. Nannie Gray desires to call the attention of the readers of the Commercial Courier to the fact that she has a well assorted stock of Notions and Novelties, at her home on Third Street, South of the court house. A splendid line of Tinware, Glassware, etc., which she sells at Live and Let Live prices. Give her a trial and you will see that you can buy goods no cheaper anywhere and your patronage will be much appreciated.

## WILFORD FARRIS.

One of the largest and most prominent planters in this section is the gentleman whose name heads this article. He owns several farms, but it is of his home-place, two miles from town, of which we wish to speak. In this tract there are 400 acres of as fine farming land as can be found in this county, which boasts the most fertile soil of any county in the state. As to whether Mr. Farris and family are domiciled in a cabin or a mansion it is but necessary to see the picture of his palatial residence in this paper. Mr. Farris, probably, more than any other planter in this section, upholds the antebellum hospitality which made the South famous the world over. The old-fashioned



WILFORD FARRIS' COUNTRY HOME.

Southern dinings are still in vogue at his suburban home, and often the halls and many rooms of his country home ring with laughter and merriment of numerous guests. Mr. Farris is not so narrow-minded as to be wrapped entirely in the success of his own business, but he takes especial pride in Union City, his country's capital, and is ever ready in any way to work for its interests and welfare.

## D. P. CALDWELL.

D. P. Caldwell began the book and news business in Union City in 1891, and is the oldest firm in his line in the county. Mr. Caldwell is one of our most enterprising and progressive merchants, taking an interest in everything that enhances the welfare of the community and the happiness and betterment of the people. Anything in the way of books and papers are always in stock, and as soon as any book of merit is on the market, Mr. Caldwell adds it to his large line. All current literature embracing magazines and the metropolitan dailies can always be found on his tables. He is headquarters for school-books, and probably sells more of them than any two dealers in Union County. He has been appointed agent of the state adopted school books, with the power to appoint other agents in the county. He is now doing an extensive jobbing business with West Tennessee and Southwest Kentucky.

The head of this immense firm was born and raised in Weakley Co., and removed to Union City in 1887 and went to clerking. But his splendid business ability soon raised him above the position of a wage-earner and he embarked in business for himself. Fortune has been kind to him and his prosperity has increased with each succeeding year. Mr. Caldwell is a member of the Methodist church and no one in the county stands higher in the estimation of the people than he.

About 10,000,000 feet of birch wood will be sent this year from Maine to England and Scotland for spoils.

An order has been received by the National Electric Company of Milford, Conn., for fifty complete sets of electric bells and fire alarm boxes for Windsor Castle.

To shine boots quickly, do not blacken, but rub them with a piece of orange. Let the juice dry in, and then polish with a soft brush, when they will shine like a mirror.



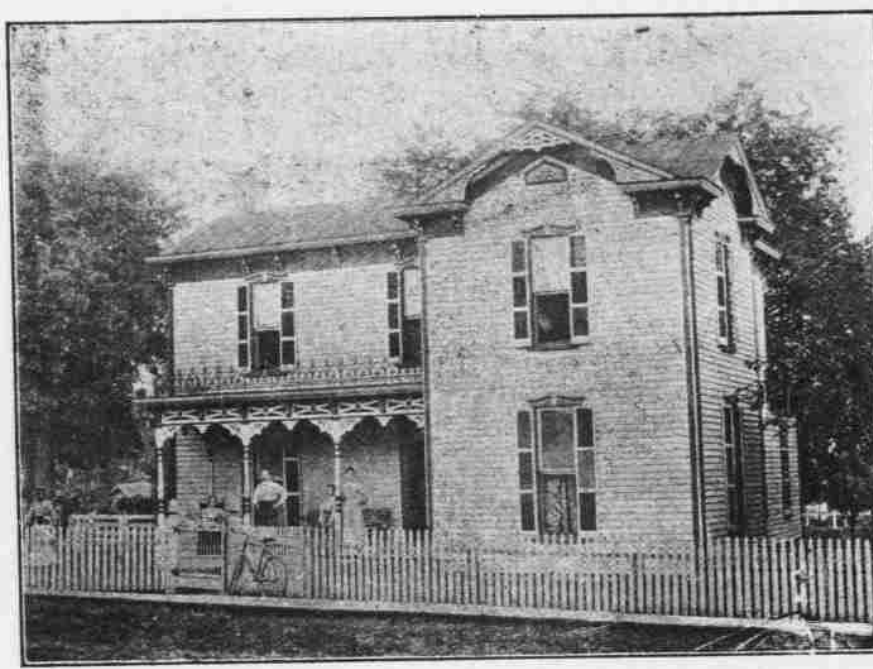
COBLE &amp; CLAGETT'S CLOTHING AND SHOE HOUSE.

## L. S. BARRETT.

On the 1st of March 1893, Mr. Barrett moved to Union City from Franklin, Tenn., where he had previously lived 23 years. Upon his locating in Union City he embarked in the sewing machine and gun business in which he had been engaged for 33 years. He is a competent workman on guns, pistols and sewing machines and is also an expert in making or fitting keys of any kind. He also handles all parts of machine repairs, and supplies, and he honestly guarantees all of his work. While he does the best of work his prices are the lowest, and if you need anything in his line be sure to call on him at his stand, just south of Harry T. Robinson's, where you will be given one hundred cents' worth for every dollar you invest. Mr. R. W. Davis, whom every one in Union City knows, is solicitor for the firm in the repairing line, and will be sure to give you honest advice as to what to do with your machine should it need the attention of an expert machine doctor like Mr. Barrett.

## SEMONES &amp; SONS.

In 1879 there was started in Union City a business which has undoubtedly proved of as great interest to



C. L. KISTNER'S RESIDENCE, COR. URY AND HARRISON STS.

our city as any manufactory or enterprise that the city has ever been able to boast of. We refer to the Semones & Son Foundry and Machine Shop, one of the largest and most complete plants of the kind in the State. Mr. A. Semones is the senior proprietor while his son, J. F. Semones, is the junior proprietor and head of the mechanical department. This firm manufactures all kinds of casting and machinery, log and farm wagons, and deal in all kinds of brass goods, pipe and pipe fitting. Connected with the business is a complete blacksmith shop where only first class workman are employed, and the finest of material used, where all repair work and horse-shoeing is done to perfection. The firm is also the sole manufacturers of the Waddell Broad Cast Seed Sowers, acknowledged by most competent critics as being

## H. S. SACRA.

Esq. H. S. Sacra is one of the best known men not only in Union City, but in Obion county. For the past twenty years he has been engaged in the blacksmith and general repair business in Union City, the last five years of which he has been one of the most prominent magistrates in the county. In the blacksmith and wagon business the H. S. Sacra company stands at the head. Their work always gives satisfaction as they use no material but the best and employ the finest workmen, which in any business brings the most gratifying results. Mr. T. S. Brown, one of the finest blacksmiths in the country has been doing a large part of the work in his line for the past five years. Mr. C. M. Givens, of Nashville, Tenn., is also employed by the firm as an expert horse-shoer, and he is one of the best in this section, being competent to shoe your horse or mule in any manner desired.

## J. H. TRAVIS.

J. H. Travis is a practical saw maker of both band and circular saws, and a saw filer and hammerer of the most scientific expertise. He has had fourteen years experience in the business, and has held the most responsible positions in the largest mills of Cairo, Ill., St. Louis, Mo., and other cities. At present Mr. Travis has charge of the saw filing and repairing depart-

## POWHATAN H. OWEN.

No man in Obion County has juster cause for being proud of what he is than has the gentleman whose name heads this article; for ill-fortune, like an evil genius, pursued him so relentlessly, that many in a similar position would have despaired of success. Mr. Owen, who is 39 years of age, was born and reared in this county, near Clayton. When ten years old he had an attack of white-swell which greatly injured his right leg and made him a cripple for life. His early schooling was obtained under the



P. H. OWEN.

tutelage of Captain Underwood at Crystal, and the expenses of his education afterwards were met with money he earned. The last school he attended was the West Tennessee Normal College at Horn-beak.

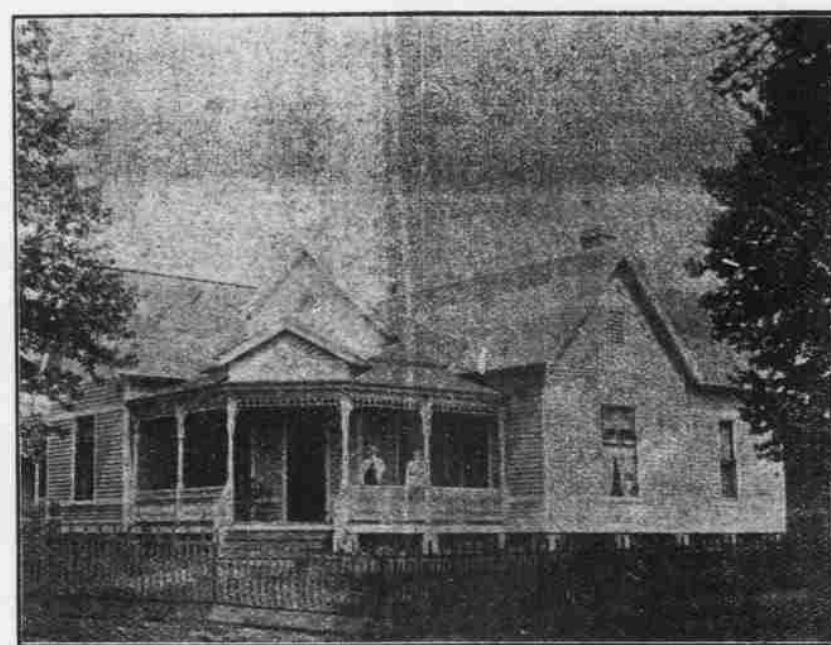
Nine years ago Mr. Owen made the race for Register, and was defeated, but, by less than 200 votes. Soon after the election while working in a stove mill near Clayton, his right arm was caught in the machinery and so badly mangled that it had to be amputated. In '98 the unfortunate man again made the race for Register, as an independent, but was defeated by some 300 votes.

Mr. Owen is one of this country's most successful educational instructors having taught school 12 years. He is at present teaching at Old Republican, where last year he conducted the same school to the perfect satisfaction of all interested.



J. G. GREEN, F. D.

The subject of this sketch was born in district no. 7, April 29, 1875. He attended the school of the neighborhood until 17 years of age when he entered the Dixon (Tenn.) Normal, where he remained two years. At the expiration of that time he entered the medical department of the University of Nashville, where he graduated in 1898. A few days after graduation he was united in

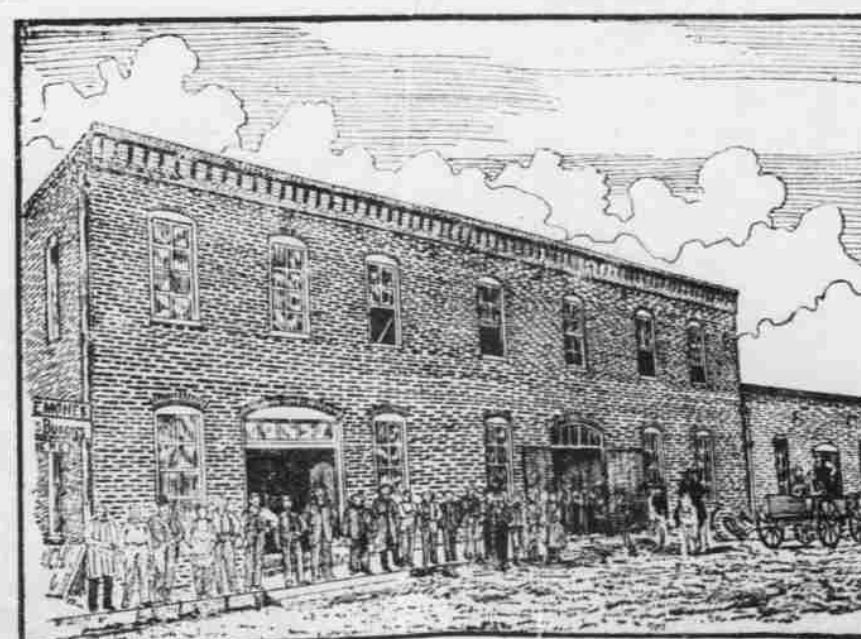


DR. W. O. PARRISH'S RESIDENCE, COR. HOME &amp; BELL. (FOR SALE.)

the best and most satisfactory machine ever devised for sowing all kinds of seed. The senior member of this immense business is the owner of the Tennessee Spoke Co., one of the largest concerns in the South, and he is also a partner in the large Union City Roller Mill Co. Besides these enterprises Mr. Semones is running at New Decatur, Ala., one of the largest spoke factories in that State.

marriage to Miss Edna Earle, one of the accomplished and cultured young ladies of Union City. He hung out his shingle some fifteen months ago and from the start secured quite a nice practice.

But the people of his old home, among whom he practiced before he graduated, got up a petition to have him locate at his old home, and he acceded to their request.



FOUNDRY OF SEMONES &amp; SON.

The temperature of Quebec has been cooler this summer so far than of any other city on this continent.

It is said that Rudyard Kipling has received seven madstones and 4,000 receipts for the unfortunate bite of that dog.

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CABLES

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GENTLEMEN:—Please ship me one Sun Light Gas Lamp, same as illustrated cut, for which I enclose P. O. Money Order for \$5.00 and agree to pay to your order fifty cents each week for four weeks from date.

Signed..... Address.....  
MOSS' PHARMACY CO., Agts. Union City and Vicinity

## One Moment

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The next in MEMPHIS, NASHVILLE or NEW ORLEANS as the case may be, where you talk with a correspondent for some minutes, and a second later you are back in your own office, which, in fact you have never left. When you can do this by TELEPHONE, why travel, or telegraph, or write?